

# THE SPOTLight

## News From Councilmember Sherri Lightner

City of San Diego, District One

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### Representing the communities of:

- Carmel Valley
- Del Mar Mesa
- La Jolla
- Pacific Highlands Ranch
- Torrey Hills
- Torrey Pines
- University City



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## Looking Forward to Four More Years of Working For You

On Dec. 3, Sherri was sworn in to serve the communities of District 1 for another four years.

At the inauguration ceremony, Sherri thanked her family and friends who supported her over the years and pledged to spend her second term much like she did her first, "in service to my communities, working to bring the neighborhoods' voice to City Hall."

Sherri's goals for the next four years also include:

- Continuing to enact fiscal reforms and responsibly restore city services, such as improving public safety, boosting library
- Working to ensure that San Diego has a sustainable and affordable water supply with innovative policies and technologies so we can grow our local economy and protect our quality of life
- Crafting a long-term vision for San Diego's economy – one that embraces the importance of innovation, creativity and sustainability
- Strengthening the city's workforce training efforts so we can grow our own world-class workforce in

and rec center hours and repairing our roads



*Sherri took the oath of office on Dec. 3 with her family by her side.*

order to better retain, grow and attract companies to San Diego.

"I'm looking forward to working for District 1 for another four years," Sherri said. "We've accomplished so much, but there is still more to do."

## New Council District Boundaries Take Effect

For the past four years, Sherri has had the privilege of representing the communities of Black Mountain Ranch, Rancho Peñasquitos and Torrey Highlands.

On December 3, the redrawn district boundaries went into effect, and those communities will now be represented by other councilmembers.

Black Mountain Ranch, Torrey Highlands and the portion of Rancho Peñasquitos north of

SR-56 and east of the San Diego Aqueduct are now part of Council District 5, which is represented by newly elected Councilmember Mark Kersey. His office number is (619) 236-6655 and his email is [markkersey@sanidiego.gov](mailto:markkersey@sanidiego.gov).

Rancho Peñasquitos residents who live south of SR-56 and west of the Aqueduct will be in District 6, which is represented by Councilmember Lorie Zapf. Her office can be reached at

(619) 236-6616 or by email at [loriezapf@sanidiego.gov](mailto:loriezapf@sanidiego.gov).

"I have enjoyed serving these communities, but I know they will now be well represented by my Council colleagues," Sherri said.

Sherri is very pleased that all of La Jolla, including the southeast side of Mt. Soledad, has been reunited in the new Council District 1, and she is looking forward to representing these neighborhoods.

## Sherri Champions the Hire-A-Youth Program



*Sherri joined elected officials, including newly elected Mayor Bob Filner, and business and workforce leaders to highlight the city's support of the Hire-A-Youth program.*

Under Sherri's leadership, the City Council approved the final portion of its \$200,000 investment to expand the local Hire-A-Youth program on Nov. 27.

The Hire-A-Youth program gives young adults access to job and internship opportunities as well as provides help with job-readiness training, résumé writing and interview skills. The program is being revamped to focus on jobs in San Diego's most im-

portant industry sectors — tourism, defense and innovation.

To highlight the city's financial commitment to the Hire-A-Youth program, Sherri joined elected officials, including newly elected Mayor Bob Filner, business leaders and workforce advocates at a press conference calling on local companies to help support and invest in the program.

Sherri explained that workforce training programs like Hire-A-Youth are critical because San Diego needs to grow its own workforce so it can compete in the global economy.

"This really is an investment in our future," Sherri said. "We need our Hire-A-Youth program to flourish so all of our teens and young adults have the job skills they need to be a productive part of our local workforce."

## La Jolla Crossroads Project Approved

On Dec. 4, the City Council unanimously approved the expansion of the La Jolla Crossroads apartments located at I-805 and La Jolla Village Drive.

Sherri applauded the developer, Garden Communities, for working with the community to address their concerns. Because

of that dialogue, Garden Communities made a number of concessions, including scaling back the size of the project by 35%.

Garden Communities also agreed to provide extra noise protection measures, exceeding city standards, in response to

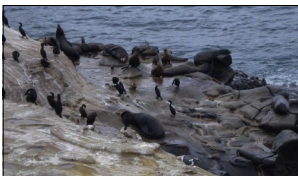
feedback both from Sherri and the community.

Sherri also increased the size of the pocket park adjacent to Judicial Drive that the developer will build. The apartments will meet LEED Silver standards, including environmentally friendly features

such as recycled water for irrigation.

"By working together, we improved the project for all involved — Garden Communities, the future residents of La Jolla Crossroads and the surrounding neighborhood," Sherri said.

## Working Toward a Solution for La Jolla Cove's Odor



*Sherri is working with all the stakeholders to come up with an environmentally sound and sensible solution to address the Cove's odor issues.*

Sherri's office continues to work with the community and elected officials at the local and state level to find a solution to the odor problem at La Jolla Cove.

The issue is the result of the bird waste accumulating on the bluff overlooking the Cove, which can cause an overpowering smell. Sherri's office is working with all

involved parties to find both short- and long-term solutions.

All the stakeholders — including the Mayor's office, city staff, the Regional Water Quality Board, the Coastal Commission and state representatives — are co-operating to find a solution that is both environmentally friendly and that requires the fewest

number of permits and can be achieved as quickly as possible.

Sherri remains convinced that there is a common sense, cost-effective way to tackle the issue that is mindful of the importance of the environmental significance of the area as well as its importance to the local tourism economy.

## Sherri Around Town



Sherri joined Council colleagues Todd Gloria and Kevin Faulconer on Nov. 10 to commemorate Veteran's Day at Mount Soledad.

Sherri joined Solana Beach Mayor Joe Kellejian and Pacific Highlands Ranch resident Manjeet Ranu at the Solana Ranch Elementary School groundbreaking on Nov. 16.



On Nov. 16, Sherri helped officially welcome UC San Diego's 8th Chancellor, Pradeep Khosla. She looks forward to working together with him on the important issues facing UC San Diego and District 1.

On Dec. 5, Sherri thanked the Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board for their service. Sherri has been honored to represent them and the entire Rancho Peñasquitos community for the past four years.



## Protecting San Diego's Open Space

Through Sherri's leadership more than 6,500 acres of city property will be dedicated as open space.

The land dedication is the result of recent state legislation, which makes it easier to protect San Diego's open space by turning "designated" open space into "dedicated" open space – an important distinction that helps ensure a piece of land will not

be developed in the future.

Originally, city staff had proposed approximately 5,880 acres for dedication, but Sherri led the charge to include more acres, and as a result, more than 6,500 acres will now be dedicated—10 percent more than originally proposed.

Sherri also put into place a process to aid the dedication of addi-

tional land in the future, including an annual review to provide transparency and momentum for future land dedication.

"Working together with the community, my Council colleagues and city staff, we dedicated more acres of open space. Going forward, we are putting together a five-year plan to dedicate even more open space," Sherri said.

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## It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year!

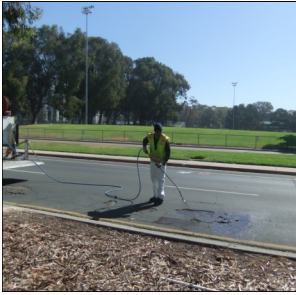
*Sherri wishes everyone in District 1 the happiest of holidays and a joyous new year in 2013.*



Sherri at the Del Mar Highlands Holiday Party, with a local school teacher, Del Mar Highlands General Manager Elizabeth Schreiber, and, of course, Santa and Mrs. Claus.



## Working for You in the Community



*Need assistance in getting a pothole fixed? Call Sherri's office at (619) 236-6611. We are here to help.*

Helping constituents get potholes filled, streetlights fixed and other neighborhood repairs completed is one of Sherri's top priorities. Here is a sampling of projects her office worked on this past month:

### Potholes

- Mission Carmel Cove
- Bahama Cove and Vantage Way
- Boquita Drive and Vantage Way
- Mira Montana Drive

### Cleanups and Repair

- "YIELD" lettering and crosswalks repainted at Prospect Place and Coast Boulevard
- "STOP" lettering and crosswalk repainted at Olivetas

- Avenue and Ravina Street
- Graffiti removed from the median along southbound Villa La Jolla at Villa La Jolla Driveway
- "STOP" lettering and limit lines repainted at Old El Camino Real and Derby Downs Road
- Red and blue curb striping repainted on Governor Drive, from I-805 to Stresemann Street
- Vegetation trimmed on bike lane along Carmel Valley Road, from Dove Canyon Road to Black Mountain Road
- Graffiti removed from boulevard and park bench at Car-

- mel Knolls Park
- "STOP" lettering and limit lines repainted at Landfair Road and High Bluff Drive
- Red curb striping painted on Azure Coast Drive, just east of Caminito El Rosario
- Asphalt patched and "YIELD" lettering repainted at Avenida Cresta and Winamar Avenue

### Streetlights and Traffic Signals

- Traffic sign replaced at Camino del Collado and La Jolla Shores Drive
- Traffic signs restored on southbound La Jolla Shores Drive, from Naga Way to El Paseo Grande

Sherri is on the Web at

[sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd1/](http://sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd1/)

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### Your Community Representatives

If you have a concern or question about an issue in your neighborhood, please contact our constituent services representative, Janie Hoover, or your community representative. We're here to help!

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